

Response to Office Action
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SHOVEL

Art Unit : 3616

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S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
June 16, 2006, the term for response to which expires on
September 16, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-16 are
canceled, and claims 17-23 are added.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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